

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

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8. (New) Self-locking fastening device comprising a screw or nut for fastening at least a first member to another member, wherein the fastening device is provided with a washer (10, 10') having a central bore hole (11, 11') which on the two surfaces thereof is provided with rib profiles (12, 14; 12', 14') which are fixed within or to the surfaces of the first member and the screw or nut no later than the time that the fastening device is tightened such that a self-actuated unscrewing is prevented and is configured in such a resilient manner that it can be compressed counter to its resilience thereof by being cambered, wherein the concave side is facing the member and the convex side is facing the screw head or the nut, respectively, characterized in that the rib profiles (12, 14; 12', 14') on the surface facing the screw or nut are positioned in the inner area close to the bore hole (11, 11') and on the side facing the member in the exterior area close to the exterior margin and that the rib profiles (12, 14; 12', 14') each are extending over the half up to two thirds of the radial width of the shim.
9. (New) Fastening device according to claim 8, characterized in that the shim (10') only in its exterior marginal area is cambered in the radial direction while it is flat in the interior.

10. (New) Fastening device according to claim 9, characterized in that the cambered outer marginal area only is extending over the half width of the shim (10') between its inner bore hole (11') and the exterior margin.